Cicely's Comment Corner:

If you do not have at least 2 users for your office for the Youth Offender Collaborative Workspace please send me an email ASAP so that I can setup your user accounts.

Young Offender Grantee



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AWARD OPPORTUNITY

2006 Recognition of Excellence Process and Application

We are pleased to share that a Training and Employment Notice (TEN) 17-05 was released yesterday announcing the 2006 *Recognition of Excellence* (ROE) Process and Application. The Assistant Secretary of the Employment & Training Administration, Emily DeRocco, initiated the ROE in 2004 to honor programs of the nation's workforce investment system that have achieved commendable outcomes.

This year, honorees from five different categories will be showcased at the 2006 Workforce Innovations Conference to be held from July 11-13 in Anaheim, California. Applications must be submitted electronically by **5:00pm EST on March 31, 2006.** More details about the 2006 ROE and the application process can be found at: http://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/corr_doc.cfm?DOCN=2183. In addition, the ROE Application, instructions, FAQ's, profile of last year's winners, and a link to Workforce Innovations 2006 can be found at: http://www.doleta.gov/roe.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



PRRAC – Research & Advocacy Grants Program

Thanks to the Annie E. Casey Foundation, Poverty & Race Research Action Council (PRRAC) is once again able to make small grants available for research on the intersection of race and poverty that in turn is designed to support a planned advocacy strategy (community organizing, litigation, legislation, public education, etc.). In this grant cycle, preference will be given to work in the areas of housing, education and health, as well as to work carried out in the cities where the Casey Foundation has its Making Connections sites: Denver, Des Moines, Hartford, Indianapolis, Louisville, Milwaukee, Oakland, Providence, San Antonio, and Seattle. Maximum grant amount is \$10,000. For more information please visit: http://www.prrac.org/grants.php.

Joyce Foundation RFP for Transitional Jobs Reentry Demonstration

The Joyce Foundation is requesting proposals from providers to participate in a three-year research demonstration aimed at studying the effectiveness of transitional jobs programs that serve male exoffenders. To request a printed copy of the application be mailed to you, please call 312-782-2464. Proposals are due **March 17 2006 by 5:00pm Central Standard Time**. Both a hard and electronic copies of the proposal is required. The RFP is also available on the Foundation's website at www.joycefdn.org.

